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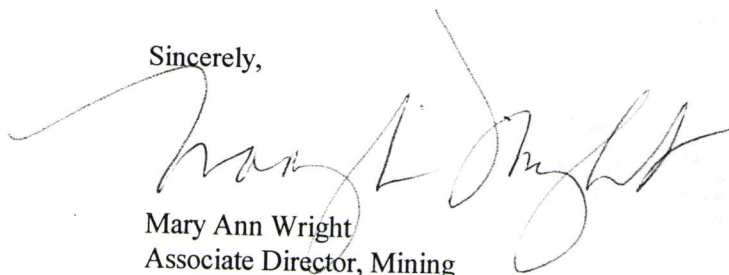
Re: Request for Postponement of Regulatory Action, Jumbo Mining Company/Western States Mineral Corporation, Drum Mine, M/027/007, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Rowley:

Thank you for your October 16, 1996, letter wherein you request that the Division temporarily postpone taking further regulatory action against Jumbo Mining Company (JMC) and Western States Minerals Corporation (WSMC). Your letter explains the extenuating circumstances that have led your agency to request a 90-day postponement of further enforcement action against JMC and/or WSMC to resolve our August 9, 1996, reclamation directive.

The Division has considered your request and the extenuating circumstances warranting your position and hereby notifies you of our concurrence. We will suspend taking further action until at least January 15, 1997. Please be advised that the Division's position in the matter of requiring reclamation of the mine site by both parties has not changed. As you know, JMC and WSMC have informed us that they do not believe reclamation is necessary at this time. It is our intention to proceed with appropriate regulatory action as provided for under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act and Minerals Rules following the January 15, 1997, expiration date.

Sincerely,



Mary Ann Wright
Associate Director, Mining

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